fered the following order:

Grdered, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed by the chair to investigate the charges of bribery and intimidationalized to have been attempted on members of the legislature since they received their certificates, with power to send for persons and papers, and that the committee be instructed to commence their investigation to-day on the adjournment of this session, and report as soon as may be.

Berry and other Republican Senators, on the ground that there was not even the street rumor of bribery on the part of the Senate. If so, they would gladly favor the appointment of a committee. If members of the House had been bribed or intimidated, then an investigation should begin there.

The order was passed. No further business of importance was transacted.

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REPUBLICAN MEMBERS PRESENT THEMSELVES. Mr. Hale amonuced the presence of sixty certificated members, being the Republicans who withdrew yesterday, who were ready to be qualified. They were conducted to the council-chamber, but the acting governor, Lambe qualified. They were conducted to the council-chamber, but the acting governor, Lamson, declined to qualify them at present, as he did not exactly know the extent of his powers in that direction, but should inform bimself. The House then quietly adjourned. The members will undoubtedly be qualified tomorrow. Mr. Sproul, of Venzie, who is among the number, will act with the Republicans, thus giving them a majority in the popular branch should the members from the five cities be admitted. cities be admitted.

A RETRACTION DEMANDED. AUGUSTA, MR., Jan. 8 .- Two days, since the Portland Argus stated that S. Soule, deputy sheriff of Kenueber county, approached J. S. Mendall, Republican from Hartford, with an offer of money to influence his legislative action. Soule has given the Argus forty-eight hours to retract, or the proprietors will be called to answer in the courts. The Republi-cans are happy to-night, and report their secret caucus this afternoon as very satisfactory. It was a meeting of confidence to settle clearly the various points hitherto partially obscure.

They will act together as one man. A NEW COMPLICATION. The members of the Council are of the opinion that their term of office has expired. It is thought this will complicate affairs semewhat in regard to the qualification of the Republimembers fail of qualification, and the Fusion-

sacted will not be legal. FORCED TO NAME SOMEBODY. Swann, of Minot, and Harriman, of Kenne-bunk, members of the House, will publish cards to-morrow testifying that Wallace R. White is the man who offered them \$1,000 each to absent themselves from the legislature. White denies in the strongest terms the whole LEGALITY OF THE ORGANIZATION TO BE

THE ALLEGED BRIDERY CASES. Startling developments are expected when the bribery committee gets to work. The pointment of the co-assignce. Assignce Man name of the person who paid money to Swann and Harriman will be given. He is said to be terest of some bank creditors. lawyer from Winthrop. HIS BYGHTS PROM A SOFFICE SOURCE.

PORTLAND, Jan. 8 .- The Republican County Alterney-elect Coombs was yesterday ap pointed to that position by Governor Gar colon and confirmed by the Council. He wil robably decline his appointment and demand

MASSACHUS ETTS.

Statement of the Commonwealth's Finances. Boston, Jan. S .- Governor Long was inaugurated to-day with the usual coromonies and delivered his message. The message states that the total of the public debt at the close of 1879 is \$33,020,464, which is the same as a year ago. While this is strictly true, the State, fluancially, is not so well off us a year ago, for on the 1st of January, 1879, there was a cash balance in the treasury of \$1.294,517.79, against \$250.057.07 on January 1, 1880. This diminution of more \$1,000,000 is attributable to a mistake made last year in reducing the Blate tax from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000.

MARYLAND.

Annual Message of Governor Carroll, Annapolis, Mo., Jan. 8 .- The message of Governor Carroll was read in both bouses of the legislature to-day. It is a lengthy but clear document, and confined entirely to State matters, which are reviewed in detail. I begins with a statement of the financial situa tion, saying: "We may consider it a fortu-nate circumstance that, with all the depreciaof values and the great depression o trade, which has been universal during the last six years, the State has suffered such small less in our investments, and the burdens of taxation have been materially reduced. The receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1879, were as fo Balanco in treasury September 30, 1878, \$204,-165.88; receipts for the fiscal year ending Sep-tember 30, 1879, \$2,126,326.37; total, \$2,330. 492.25. Total disbursements for the same time, \$1,774,283.25; balance in the treasury Septem-30, 1879, \$556,203.99. The rec the treasury were: From taxes, \$1,076,830,51; loans, \$250,000; licenses, \$474,708.94; dividends and interest, \$15,479,987; annuity Northern Central Railway Company, \$90,000, and the balance from miscellaneous sources. The disbursements for 1879 were: For public schools, colleges and interest on public debt, \$1,212,009.54, a little over one-bulf of this amount being for interest on the public debt

THE LATEST FROM MAINE.

No Change in the Condition of Affairs.

Meeting of the Two Houses Without Result Yesterday—Appearance of the Republican Representatives—Their Administratives—Their Administra

mission Postponed No Quorom on Wednesday Shown
—Appeal to the Courts.

Both Houses Assembled Without Disorder.
AUGUSTA, MR., Jan. 8.—Both branches of the legislature assembled quietly at 10 s.m., there being no comparison between the crowd and that of yesteriay. Sentinels are stationed at the doors, the police force continuing under the control of the sheriff and mayor. The Senate assembled quietly, and, immediately on opening, Senator Holson, of Lincoln, offered the following order:

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This was opposed by Senstors Locke, Harris, Berry and other Republican Senators, on the ground that there was a page in the United States Senate, afterward attached to the Senate postoffice and subsequently a collector of Internal Revenue and subsequently a collector of Internal Revenue.

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On the opening of the House the Speaker invoked good order, and intimated that the scenes enacted yesterlay by outsiders would not be repeated. He had scarcely finished speaking when the doors were opened and the windows throws up, and an impatient crowdinshed in. After the people had entered quiet was restored, but at one time trouble seemed imminent.

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ARCHBISHOP PURCELUS CASE.

A Sharp Trick Attempted by John Smith. CINCINNATI, Jan. 8 .- In auswer to a notice in the newspapers signed "creditor," calling a meeting of the creditors of Archbishop Pur-cell at Hobkins' Hall to-night, the approaches to the hall were crowded with anxious credit-ors, some of whom thought their claims were to be immediately paid. The doorkeeper required everybody desiring admission to say he was a creditor and sign bis name and amount thought this will complicate affairs somewhat in regard to the qualification of the Republican members, as the Constitution provides that eaths of office shall be administered before the Governor and Council. The sixty Republicans are ready to qualify, and it is claimed a power of attorney authorizing one they can do so to-morrow before a justice of John F. Larkin to appear for the significant in the unconsidered to the significant in the significan they can do so to-morrow before a justice of John F. Laran to appear for the Supreme court, or before a justice of the peace for the State, but should the Republican members fail of qualification, and the Fusionsessing to act in conjunction with Assignee Mannix. A petition for this purpose was filed ists being without a quorum, the business some time ago, but as the law requires a majority of the creditors in amount to secure the appointment, and only \$250,000 was represented, when the claims are \$3,700,000, no action was taken. It is believed the meeting to night was called, as the course of the door-keeper indicated, to obtain the signature of a sufficient number of claimants to secure the

appointment of a county assignee.

After the discovery of the character of the paper the doorkeeper abandoned his post and the hall was instantly crowded by an auxious POUTLAND, Jan. S.—A dispatch to the Argus says the Republicans propose to tost the legality of the organization of the House and announced that as the hall was not large enough for their accommodation the bring the matter in some way before the enough for their accommodation the Supreme court, one way mentioned being by meeting would be called elsewhere. an injunction to prevent the Treasurer of the The crowd became very excited and State from paying mileage and salaries of John Smith was fortunate in being able to make a sudden disappearance. To-morrow is the last day for obtaining sufficient signers for the success of an application for the ap nix thinks the meeting was called in the in-

A SWINDLING RING.

How Elizabeth, N. J., Was Defrauded. ELIZABETH, N. J., Jan. 8 .- Judge Van Sickle, of the Supreme court, to-day gave for publication the report of Colonel Stevenson, who was appointed to make a summary investigation of the fluancial affairs of the city of Elizabeth. The report charges that warby the treasurer without the sanction of law in the year when the legislature gave council-men a salary of \$500 each and passed the consolidated bond ordinance; that money was paid to members of the city council for legislative services without action of the city council; that salaries were paid in advance; that for several years under different controllors improvement bonds were issued years in advance of the improvements and sold for other purposes, and cartificates issued without law or necessity; that there was great distinction made between ond purchasers even on the same day; that bonds were sold to favorites at rates below the market value and bought in twenty per cent. above the market value for the sinking fund; that large amounts of money were kept in the National State Bank without interest, while the city paid large rates on borrowed The report contains other charges of

a minor character. Terrible Glycerine Explosion.

WHITEHALL, N. J., Jan. S.—The glycerine building of the Laffin Rand Powder Com-pany's works, at Oakridge, N. J., near Moun-tain View, blew up at 10:40 o'clock this morn-ing. Two men—Fowler and Morell, foremen in the works, and in the building at the time —were blown through the roof, which was also blown off and one side of the building demolished. Both of the injured men are still alive, though Fowler is thought to be dy-ing, and Morell will probably not survive his injuries. Both men were blown full forty feet in the air. People are flocking in from all directions, and the excitament is intense. This is the third explosion in three years on the same spot. The explosion was caused by the glycerine being too b

Senator Blaine Reported Ill. A telegram received last night from Port and, Maino, says the Argus has a dispate stating that Senator Blaine had a violent fit on Wednesday, brought on by overwork, and that physicians were with him five hours. The absence of dispatches from Augusta conand for the ordinary expenses of the State very doubtful.

WASHINGTON, D. C., FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 9, 1880.

Forty Minutes.

Union League Club Election-Arrest of an Incendiary-Labor Matters-Poindexter's Sentence Affirmed-Death of a Baltimore Veteran-Funeral of the Turner Hall Victims - Crimes, &c.

Base-Ball. New ORLEANS, Jan. 8.-Hop Bitters, 23

The Union League Club. New York, Jan. 8.—Hon. Hamilton Fish ras elected president of the Union League Club to-night

The Red Bank Incendiary. FREEHOLD, N. J., Jan. 8.—The grand jury o-day indicted Naftal, the clothier, for setting fire to his store and causing the disastrous co flagration at Red Bank.

Compliments to Senator Thurman. Columbus, Jan. 8 .- The Democratic mem bers of the general assembly held a caucus to-night, and agreed to vote for Alleu G. Thurman for United States Senator.

St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 8.—A white woman named Emma Fuster was criminally assaulted by four negroes, near Thorold, last night. Two of the villains were arrested to-day at Clifton and confessed their guilt and

gave the names of their accomplices Advance in Wages Demanded. CINCINNATI, Jan. S.—A Youngstown special to the Commercial says the furnace men in the Mahoning valley have demanded an advance of twenty-five per cent, in their wages. Two advances of fifteen and ten per cent., respectively, have been made during the past two months. The advance now asked for will be

refused. Arrested for Robbing the Mails, HARRISBURG, PA., Jan. 8,-William C. Keller was this morning held in \$500 for trial on the charge of sicaling a small sum of money from a decoy letter. He was arrested on in-formation of a Government detective, who tea-tified that he saw him through the floor and

ceiling of the postoffice appropriate the letter. The Chicago Striking Packers. CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—About 10,000 strikers at-tended the public meeting of the Butchers' Union this afternoon. It was resolved to continue the organization. The speakers indicated that a compromise would be acceptable. It is reported that a man was shot to-night in a quarrel growing out of the strike. Particulars are not obtainable.

Guilty of Murder. BALTIMORE, Jan. 8.—At Frederick, Md. his morning in the case of Felix Munshour Wetsel, in August last, the jury, who had been out since yesterday afternoon, came into court with a verdict of murder in the first degree. Counsel for the prisoner entered a motion for arrest of judgment.

Poindexter's Case. RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 8.—The Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia has affirmed the judgment of the Hustings court, in this city, in the case of John E. Poindexter, convicted some months since of killing Charles C. Curtis

torney, on the ground that a criminal charge troops in the field, arrived there to day. He cannot be against a corporation, Mr. Smith being charged as the representative of the criminal Charge with General Trevino. The Arizona Cheinnatt Gazette Company. Dr. W. S. Jones, the writer of the article in question. has been arrested on a charge of criminal libel,

The Pennsylvania Oil Cases. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8 .- In the case of the commonwealth vs. Warden et al., known as the oil cases, in which a rule was asked for to show cause why a cortiorari should not Issue to the quarter sessions court of Clarlon t to the dustress seems court of Clarion to bring the record up to the Supreme court, and the trial proceeded with before one of its jus-tices, the Supreme court this morning or-dered that this rule be reargued before a full bench, and until it is finally disposed of the proceedings of the court below be stayed.

Result of a Railroad Suit. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The suit of James G. tephons and others against the New York & Midland Railroad Company and others, has been decided in favor of the plaintiffs and a dead of the entire property has been executed o Conrad N. Jordan, cashier of the Third Vational Bank of this city, who represents

BALTIMORE, Jan. 8.—Colonel Nicholas rewer, the oldest survivor of the war of 1812 this State, died at his residence in this city o-night in the ninety-second year of his age Ie was one of the founders of the association of Old Defenders, and was its secretary from the organization. He has represented his ward in the city council, and throughout his long to has maintained an unblomished reputa-

tion. Up to a few months ago he was very active. For many years he was pension agent for the soldiers and widows of soldiers of the Funeral of the Turn Hatt Victims. NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—To-day at Beethoven fall the funeral of six of the victims of the fire at Turn Hall took place. Six coffins almost covered with flowers were ranged side by side and on their plates were the names of the dead within. Mr. C. Kuhu, vice-president of the Turn Verein, read the funeral address About sixty lodges and sociaties were present. There was a large funeral procession, and fully 10,000 spectators crowded around the hall and

in the neighboring streets to see it. The re-mains were interred in the Evergreen and

Woodland cemeteries. The Cental System Rejected. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The board of managers of the Produce Exchange at a meeting hold this morning reseinded the recent MacTes during many hours of Tuesday and amendments to the grain rules, which made them conform to the central system. This was done in accordance with the vote of yesterday, as yet me evidence of the existence of crystalbe existent to was decided that the Asservance. by which it was decided that the observanof the cental system in handling grain, &c., would be impracticable until necessary legislation could be obtained on the subject and cading commercial exchanges consented to imultaneously adopt it. The result of yesterday's vote gives general satisfaction at the lieves it has scratched topsz and sapphire. Exchange, Out of 939 votes east only 168 were Mr. MacTear wishes bim to add that a dia-

Narrow Escape of Deadwood from Fire.

DEADWOOD, D. T., Jan. 8.—The escape of bealwood from being totally destroyed by observed that the specimens submitted by Mr. fire a second time this morning seems almost 'MacTear are very small, being merely dust.

BEADS FROM PUCK'S GIRDLE miraculous, About midnight the timber on the hilleide, on Shoomaker Gulch, eaught from a miner's torch, and fauned by a high wind spread from that gulch into Black-Tail, ever the divide into City Greek and Forest Hill inthe divide into City Creek and Forest Hill in-side the city limits, where, by the superhuman efforts of the firemen and citizens, it was got under control, with the loss of only a few cabins and some cord-wood. The wind blew a hurricane, and did considerable damage in different parts of the city. All stores were cleared of their goods, and had the fire reached the heart of the city it could have destroyed little clee but empty buildings. The wildest excitement prevailed throughout the night.

Drutal Murder of a Boy, CINCINNATI, Jan. 8.—A special dispatch from Lebanon, Ky., says news reached there yesterday of the killing by Milian White, aged seventy years, the keeper of a tell-gate near Mackville, Washington county, of Philip White, a boy of seventeen years, on Monday last. There had been a previous quarrel between the parties, who are relatives, and Milton says the boy had threatened his life. On the day of the killing Philip was passing along the day of the killing Philip was passing along the turnpike in front of Milton's house, when the latter came to the door with a shotgun and said he was going to shoot him. Philip threw open his bosom and told him to fire away, which he at once did, killing the boy instantly. Milton was held for murder and bail was refused. Fears of lynching are entertained.

Bishop Starkey Consecrated. NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 8.—The consecration of Thomas Alfred Starkey, Protestant Episcoof Thomas Alfred Starkey, Protestant Episcopal bishop-elect of the diocese of Northern New Jersey, took place at Grace church to-day with impressive ceremonies, in which a large number of bishops and clorgy participated. After the usual services, conducted by Bishops Howe, of Contral Penusylvania, and Searborough, of New Jersey, Bishop Littlejohn, of Long Island, preached the sermon. The bishop-elect was then invested by Revs. J. H. Ecclestine, D. D., of Newark, and James Cameron, of Edgewater, and presented to Bishop Clarke, of Rhode Island, the consecrator, by Bishops Scarborough, of New Jersey, and Seymour, of Springfield, Ill. The testinonials were read by Rev. Dr. Boggs, secretary of the diocese. The church was densely crowded. diocese. The church was densely crowded.

Another of Haigh's Forgeries.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. S.—Messrs. James Consway & Co., of this city, received notice from the Central National Bank this morning that their draft for \$2,950.25 would be due January 22-25, 1830. As the firm bad accepted no drafts, Mr. James Consway immediately called on the cashier, and being shown the draft pronounced it a forgery. The draft is drawn by J. Lloyd Haigh on J. Consway & Co., Philadelphia. Across the face is stamped in bine ink the word "accepted," and under this is written "James Consway & Co." On the bank is the indorsement, "J. Lloyd Haigh, No. 818"—the latter indicating that the draft had been discounted. Mr. Theodore Kitchen, the cashier of the bank, said that the draft came to them from a bank in New York for collection, and that the loss would fall on the New York bank.

sighteen months ago, bought wire in large quantities from Haigh, but never issued paper a reflection upon them, and so marked was to him. They dealt with him for five years this feeling that Speaker Randall felt comto a very large amount. About eighteen mouths ago they stopped purchasing from Haigh and then he became a competitor in their business, making umbrells frames, when before he had only manufactured the wire for them, and also cutting down the prices.

Three Years on the Warpath.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—A dispatch from Tucson, Arizona, says to-day Licutenaut Has-kell turned over the renegade Indians which surrendered at Rucker to Acting Agent Chaffee, of San Carlos, who will place a strong

at the troops in Arizona are commanding the scuting Fort Bowle. General Carr, commanding the charge troops in the field, arrived there to-day. He strike his trail, he will be followed, irrespec-tive of geographical lines, into the interior of Victoria and his bands are Mescaliero Apache Indians. Their capture or de-feat will settle the Indian question in that Territory. They have been on the warpath

Relief for the Suffering Irish.

DUBLIN, Jan. 8 .- The relief fund of the Duchess of Marlborough now amounts to £14,-300. The government has made an important change in its policy in respect to the condi-tion of Ireland. It has resolved to grant leans for the construction of drainage works in the distressed districts which are now on a schedule annexed to the circular of the board of works or which may be scheduled from time time. The loans are to be made upon more liberal terms than heretofore proposed, namely, posses. It will also offer increased inducements to boards of guardians for the execution of sanitary works. If these measures by boards of made were the second inducements to boards of guardians for the execution of sanitary works. If these measures by board inducements to be a second inducement to be the bondholders of the defunct corporation and holders of receivers' certificates. The consideration is \$4,000,000. The purchasers intend to sanitary works. If these measures be form a new company under the name of the found inadequate to meet the exigency New York, Outsrio & Western Railroad Company, with a capital of \$10,200,000.

There are some further reports of disturbances by riotous assemblages in resistance to process served in the counties of Mayo, Galway and Silgo, but no serious conflicts have securred, owing to the forbearance of the police. The process servers have in most cases been compelled to abandon the effort to do their duty.

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A paragraph telegraphed here about Mr.

Parnell's speech at Newark leads to the inference that exagerated accounts of the affair occuring in County Galway on Friday last have reached the United States. The facts are that the police, who were protecting the process-servers, were assaulted and stoned by a mob, which had assembled to prevent the servers of the processes. The police fred four shots over the heads of the mob and then charged with fixed bayonets, whereupon the mob fled. There were reports among the peasantry that six or seven of their number had been injured, but the authorities have been numble to find any of them. Four of the ringleaders of the mob have ance been ar-rested and committed for trial.

The MacTear Diamonds.

LONDON, Jan. 8 .- Mr. Maskelyne, of the line carbon among Mr. MacTear's specimens, he feels that Mr. MacTear's request is reasonable; that he should invite a suspension of opinion regarding the ultimate result of the experiments. A portion of the material sub-mitted is very hard, and Mr. Muskelyne bein favor of the new system of weights and mond has been abraded by it, and to inclose measures. The certificate to that effect. The certificates of persons who have experimented with the

CURRENT CAPITAL TOPICS.

Proceedings in the Two Houses Yesterday Unimportant.

The New District Tax Bill Reported for Printing-A Dish of Pennsylvania Polities-Recusant Witnesses in the Senate - A Sharp Executive Session-Bids for Paper -The First Putent.

Business in the House Yesterday.

The House was in session longer than the senate yesterday, but did no more, the time being occupied in desultory discussion of the report of the Committee on Rules. In the early part of the proceedings a com-

location of mining claims, which simply prescribed the limits of a mining claim and the evidence to be set up upon which a title

the Committee of the Whole, and it was so re-Mr. Harris, from the Committee on the Revision of the Laws, reported back the senate bill providing for the publication and

distribution of a supplement to the Revised Statutes. After some discussion and amend-ment it was adopted.

oliection, and that the loss would fall on the usuriy every member of the Committee on Commorce objecting. Members of the Committee on Commorce seemed to have taken the

pelled to make a speech denying any such re-While Mr. Randall was speaking be and his colloague, Mr. O'Neili, had quite an interest-ing dialogue over Mr. Randali's political stand-ing in Philadelphia. Mr. O'Neill said that on account of Mr. Handall's neglect of his con-stituents the usual Democratic majority of 5,000 had been cut down to 3,000 at the late

Mr. Randall replied that he would bring i up when he ran again, to which Mr. O'Neill rejoined, "Not unless he stayed at home and attended to his business instead of being

there was the usual number of netitions, memorials, &c. Mr. Ingalis presented a petition members of the com-from the citizens of Kansas for the sale of the to amount to much. lands of the Iowas, Sacs and Fox Indians.

Mr. Plumb, from the Committee on Public Lands, presented a resolution to extend for sixty days the time allowed the Secretary of the Interior to instruct United States officers in relation to the disposition of the lands be- pared. onging to the Government in the Hot Springs

reservation of Arkansas.

Mr. Windom presented the Military Academy appropriation bill, and it was placed on the calendar.

The Sergeant-at-Arms presented before the bar of the Senate L. S. Smith, Levi Wilson and E. B. Purcell, witnesses who were in contampt of the authority of the Senate for refusing to appear before the Senate Committee on Ele ons in the Ingalis investigation. Mr. Smith was the principal spokesman for the prisoners, and, when asked by the Vice-President what he had to say why he should not be punished for contempt, said that be was summ telegraph when away from home, and that he knew nothing about the Ingalls election, and

something like two the government will apply to Parliament to ment of the parties presented. A little after sauction the appropriation of £2,500,000 out of the church surplus for the presented. A little after 2 o'clock the prisoners were released, with the relief works to be carried on by the board of works, and to authorize the formation of baronial sessions to determine the nature of such the relative session and shortly thereafter adjourned.

The executive session of the Senate yester-lay was mainly occupied with discussion as to be propriety of confirming the nomination of The executive session of the Senate yester-day was mainly occupied with discussion as to the propriety of confirming the nomination of Captain Homer C. Blake to be Commodore; the objection being raised by friends of Captain Homer C. Blake to be Commodore; the objection being raised by friends of Captain Education being raised by friends of Captain Homer C. Blake to be Commodore; the objection being raised by friends of Captain Homer C. Blake to be Commodore; the objection being raised by friends of Captain Homer C. Education and the captain Education of the hall were fastened at each of the four corners with rosettles of variegated rebeaution of Captain Homer C. Blake to be Commodore; the objection being raised by friends of Captain Homer C. Education and the bound description, and it is safe to say that "hardly ever" was so much loveliness gathered within four walls. The floor was at no time impassable for the dancers, and for this reason the ball was the more enjoyable. The preparation of refreshments had been intrusted to Hebrer, who are the floor was at no time impassable for the dancers, and for this reason the ball was the more enjoyable. The preparation of refreshments had been intrusted to Hebrer, who are the floor was at no time impassable for the safe was an another captain the captain Education of the floor was at no time impassable for the ladics were brief and the captain Education of the safe was at no time impassable for the ladics was at no time inpassable for the ladics was a captain to safe the safe was a captain to safe the safe was a captain to safe inthorizing the President to re-examine cases Among the busy, surging through the fresheat to reinstatement in the active list by the President; and hat his old position thereon gives him a prescriptive right to the promotion in question. On the other hand it was argued by Sentor McPherson and other members of the Weller and Misses McClellan and Hillhouse, the McPherson and other members of the who are visiting them; Hon. J. R. Chalmers and Misses McClellan and Hillhouse, who are visiting them; Hon. J. R. Chalmers and Misses McClellan and Misses McClellan and Hillhouse, who are visiting them; Hon. J. R. Chalmers and Misses McClellan and Misses M ator McPherson and other members of the Naval Committee, that nother the law of 1878 and wife, of Mississippi; Hon. S. B. Chittenden nor any other statute conferred authority upon the President to reinstate an officer in a position from which he has been retired or removed, but that in all such class the restoration of the officer required action by the President and the Sensite through the usual means of nomination and confirmation. After consuming about an hour and shalf in the discussion of the legal questions above indicated, the Senste adjourned without reaching them; Hon. J. R. Chalmers and wife, of Mississippi; Hon. S. B. Chittenden and wife, of New York; Senstor Branch Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Richardson, Colonel Andenried, Miss Virgle Niles, Mr. L. H. Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Adams, Miss Georgia Cologate, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Miller, Captain Howson and Commander, U. S. N. Colonel Potter, Mr. and Mas. James R. Young, Hon. J. McMahon and wife, of Ohle; the Misses Riggs, Miss Katte Frye, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Senator Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Adams, Major and Mrs. Frank Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Adams, Mrs ne point of action.

Hids for Supplying Paper. In conformity with the terms of the advertisement of December 17, 1879, for proposals to supply the Governmon with all paper that may be needed for the public printing until March 1, 1881, the bids were opened yesterday by the joint committees of the House and Schate. The principal items are book-printing until four classes and subdivided into nicesteen lots.

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lowest bidders in five of the six lots, at prices lowest bidders in five of the six lots, at prices ranging from 91-10 cents to 94-10 cents per pound, and in one lot J. C. Margrave was the lowest bidder at 9-2-10 cents per pound. Buckley, Dunton & Co, worse the lowest bidders in the four lots constituting Class C, at prices ranging from 89-10 cents to 95-10 cents per pound; also, in the three lots composing Class D, at 9, 91-10 and 89-10 cents per pound, respectively. Writing paper was divided into twenty-five lots, from 100 reams (the smallost) to 6,500 reams (the largest amount) in each lot. Bids ranged from 104-10 cents to 14 cents per pound. I. & R. Kingsamount) in each lot. Bus rangel rous to 14 cents to 14 cents per pound. I. & R. Kingsland were the lowest bidders in cleven lots; Buckley, Dunton &Co. in eight lots; Megargle Bros. in one, and the two former offered the same figures in the remaining six lots. The awards will probably be made in a day or

The recent efforts to make a reform in the addressing and delivery of letters have directed In the early part of the proceedings a communication from Horatio Seymour was presented by Mr. Prescott, asking for the passage of a bill for the erection of a monument to General Herkimer.

An amusing feature of the proceedings was the request of all the Greenback Members for leave of absence to attend the National Greenback Conference.

Mr. Noal, of Ohio, introduced the new tax bill for the District of Columbia, which was ordered to be printed and recommitted.

The Speaker laid before the House certain resolutions of the official reporters in relation to their late colleague, William Hincks, of resolutions of the efficial reporters in relation to their late colleague, William Hincks, of Massachusetts, and they were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Armfield, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported a bill in relation to the local office. Greater care in the adoption of mining claims, which should be shown from the following circular least form of mining claims, which should be shown from the following circular least form from the following circular least form the following circ has been fesued by the First Assistant Post-master-General, under whose direction the establishment of new posterfices comes:

the evidence to be set up upon which a fit's establishment of new postolices comes:

Out of the way of the town particularly desired that the name of the town was sustained, that it should be considered in or village in which the office is to be located. hould be adopted, if such name is in no way imilar to that of any ostablished office in the State.

The prefix of "East," "Centre," "New," 'North," "South," or "West" to the name of a postoffice is objectionable; as also is the addipostolice is objectionable; as also is the addi-tion of "Burgh," "Centre," "City," "Corners," "Creek," "Cross Roads," "Depot," "Hill," "Hotel," "Holland," "Junction," "Mill," "Mound," "Peak," "Plains," "Point," "Port," "Prairie," "Rock," "River," "Run," "Ridge, "Store," "Station," "Springs," "Town," "Vale," "Valles," or "Villes," as such prefers or ad-"Valley," or "Village," as such prefixes or ad-ditions lead to confusion and delay in the

To insure favorable action on applications for postoffices, the above instructions must be complied with. Short names should be selected

A Historical Relic. Among the Executive documents presented in the House yesterday was a letter from Sec-retary Schurz recommonding an appropriation of \$500 to purchase the first patent over issued in this country. Accompanying it was a letter from E. T. Hall, of Columbus, Ohio, the pres-ant possessor of the document, in which he says it was issued at New York, July 31, 1790, to Samuel Hopkins, of Philadophia, for an improvement in making potash. It is written on a sheet of pareiment twenty inches square, in a round, old-fashioned hand, signed by George Washington, certified by Edward Randolph, Attorney General, as being conformable to the act of Congress to promote the useful arts, and its delivery to the grantee is certified by Thomas Lefferson with the act of the by Thomas Jefferson with the scal of the United States. Secretary Schurz recommends

The Star Mail Service.

The House Committee on Appropriations spent most of its time during the session yesthe case of John E. Poindexter, convicted some months since of killing Charles C. Curtis on the 3d of March last, for which Poindexter was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years for voluntary manslaughter.

Richard Smith's Libel Suit.

Cincinnati Garcile, was dismissed at the Cincinnati Cincinna terday morning in discussing the alleged de-ficiency in what is known as the Star service very early day; but it is intimated by some members of the committee that it is not likely

The committee also during its session con-sidered the deficiency for the payment of the United States marshals. It was referred to the sub-committee of which Mr. McMahon is ers chairman, and a bill authorized to be pre-

Freedman's Bank Investigation The Freedman's Bank Committee, of which Senator Bruce is chairman, held a meeting yesterday and arranged to resume the taking of oral testimony on Saturday next, when

other witnesses are expected to be examined. THE CHARITY BALL. The Event of the Season at Masonic Temple

Last Night.

Masonic Temple was not too "full" last night of friends of the Childrens' Hospital on the occasion of the annual ball for the benefit of this worthy charity, and the managers have cause to be proud of the success of their latest intertainment. The hall was tastefully docorated with flags and bunting, and hundreds of singing birds in gilded cages suspended from the gas-jets made the evening merry with their joyous carols. The stage at the eastern end of the hall had been fitted up for the use of the reception committee of lady managers of the hospital, and was, of course, crowded with their friends. Mrs. General Ricketts re-ceived the gasets assisted by Mrs. Second V. coived the guests, assisted by Mrs. Samuel V. Niles and the other ladies of the board. Around the sides of the hall the coats-of-arms of the various States of the Union were conspicuous, and bunting streamers from centre of the hall were fastened at each o the Misses Riggs, Miss Katte Frye, Dr. and Mrs. Lincols, Radoiph Kauffmann, Robert Beall, James Nall, Mr. and Mrs. McKenoey, F. D. Keyworth, Mr. M. W. Galt, Miss Dovie For-

THE GREENBACKERS.

Session of the National Conference at Fenton Hall.

Permanent Organization Effected, With Congressiona Murch as Chairman -Peter Cooper Nominates Thurman for President and Ben Butler for Vice-President-Resolutions Offered.

The Greenback-Labor Conference. The National Greenback-Labor Conference was called to order in Feuten Hall at ness yesterday by Hon. F. P. Dewees, who made a short address, reciting the objects for which the conference had been called.

The ball was packed to its utmost capacity, standing-room being at a prumium. A number of women suffragists occupied seats near the stage and took a lively interest in the proceedings. At the conclusion of Mr. Dawees' address a temposity organization was effected, with Mayor J. M. Sauderson, of Lynn, Mass., in the chair and Messes, Fisk and Mills, secretaries. On potion of Mr. Buchman, of Indiana, a committee of five to nominate permanent officers of the conference was appointed, and retried for completion.

and retired for consultation.

During their absence Mrs. L. B. Chandler, of Philadelphia, was introduced to the audience, and read a circular from the Citizens' Suffrage Association of Philadelphia, on the subject of procuring the right of suffrage for women and scenting it to men. At the conclusion of the reading Mrs. Chaudler was presented with a handsome basics of flowers.

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The committee on permanent organization returned and submitted the names of the following for officers of the conference, which were unanimously confirmed: Hen, T. H. Murch, of Maine, president; W. W. Wissire, of Arkansas, and Donis Kearney, of California, vice-presidents; S. T. Hartsell, of Mississippi; S. Fish, Illinois; J. G. Mills, of New York, and T. P. Ryder, of Pennsylvania, secretaries; and R. W. Wade, of the District of Columbia, sergeant-at-arms. The committee further recommended the appointment of an executive committee of thirseen to reserve the executive committee of thirteen to report the basis of representation and a time and place for holding a National convention to co-oper-ate with the Congressional and National com-mittees. This proposition gave rise to a prolonged discussion, which resulted in the adop-tion of an amendment that the executive committee consist of a delogate from each State represented in the conference. The va-

State represented in the conference. The various delegates then nominated the following as members of the committee:

Maine, J. H. Blood; New Hampshire, P. B. Holmes; Vermont, G. J. Stannard; Massachusetts, C. H. Litchman; Connecticut, H. C. Baker; New York, A. G. McDonald; New Jersey, W. L. Hope; Penusylvania, W. C. Plummer; Delaware, J. S. Bostick; Maryland B. B. Knell; Virginia, G. W. Houderlite; West Virginia, H. S. Walker; North Carolina, W. M. Chieman; South Carolina, Mr. McLean; Alabama, A. H. Brittin, Misslasippi, S. F. Hartsell; Texas, J. W. Jennings; Ohio, L. T. Foster; Indiana, J. Buchanan; Illinois, D. L. Broucher; Michigan, W. A. Savage; Missouri, M. Y. Duncan; Iowa, C. H. Jackson; Wisconsiu, J. E. Thomas; Kansas, Alfred Taylor; Kentucky, Colond Blanton Duncau Arkansas, W. W. Wilshire; California, Deuis Kenriey, and District of Columbia, Lee Cran-Coarney, and District of Columbia, Lee Cran-

The names of A. R. Parsons, Illinois, as a representative of the eight-hour league of the United States, and Mrs. L. B. Chandler, Philadelphia, to represent the women of the country, were, upon motion, added to the commit

A letter was read from Peter Cooper, of New York, regretting his inability to be present and giving his views on the currency. He suggested as the first choice of the Green-backers, the name of Hon. A. G. Thurman, of Ohio, for President. This autouncoment was questions of privilege, motions to adjourn and other parliamentary tactics were the order of the day. Amid a potent Bodlau, a motion to take a recess until 6 o'clock was duclared adopted.

THE EVENING SESSION.

The conference reassembled at 6:30 o'clock, Hon. T. H. Murch in the chair. Hon. F. P. Dewees read a communication signed by C. A. Atwater and E. M. Graves, a committee of the Greenback voters of New Haven, Conn., as to the proper course to purue in the approaching Presidential campaign. The paper further stated that as the Repub-lican party was in the hands of the money power a coalition between the Greenbackers and Democrats would be of great benefit and result in the defeat of the Republicans at the next election. Without a coalition the Rapublican party would, beyond a doubt, be the winners. The paper was referred to the com-

mittee on resolutions without debate.
It was announced that the committee on call and address would probably be ready with a report to day at noon. Under the call of States a function of resolutions were read and referred to the proper committee. They related to the enforcement of the eight-hour law, establishment of a National bureau of labor statistics, against any condition with either of the old parties, the admission of Ulah as a State whenever it had the requisite number of inimbitants, regardless of its system of morals, the repeal of the law interfer-ing with lottery dealers or any other person's correspondence, the binking system and other topics agricted by the Greenbackers.

At the conclusion of the reading of resolu-tions, Raiph Beaumout, the shoemaker cratur, of New York, was introduced to the meeting and kept it in good humor until 10:50 o'clock when a recess was taken until noon to-day.

The Carroll Institute.

The sixth annual meeting of the Carroll Institute was held last evening at their rooms No. 924 G street northwest. President Bush nell read his annual report, showing the organ-mation to be in a most flourishing condition. The treasurer reported that the receipts

The treasurer reported that the receipts during the year amounted to \$957.06, and that he had a balance on hand of \$166.16.

The election for officers to serve for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

Prosident, John Bingham; first vice-president, John T. Fallon; second vice-president, J. Edmond Mailet; recording secretary, D. I. Murphy; corresponding secretary, Frank P. May; treasurer, Thomas H., Byraos; editon Mitt, B. Johnson; librarian, Dr. A. J. Fansk, assistant librarian, Michael Manning.

The following gentlemen were elected to receive the heart of directors. George Begus. The following gentlemen were elected to rive in the beard of directors: George Bogus, R. E. White, Gregory J. Ennis. Neal T. Mur-ray and Dr. T. E. McArdie. The meeting adurned after passing a vote of thanks to the cetiring officers.

The New District-Attorney.

Colonel Corkhill, the new District-Attorney, is expected to arrive in town to-morrow from lows, where he was recently called by the leath of his child. Colonel Jorabili has made to pindges or promises to any one, as to whe will be appointed as his nasimunt, and all statements to that effect are incorrect.

General Garfield in the House Yesterday. General Garfield appeared in his seat in the House yesterday morning for the first time since the recess, and was the recipient of very warm congratulations from his colleagues on congratulate him,